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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Settlement is akin to giving drug dealers access to schools.

Dear DOJ,

Microsoft is almost addictive as heroin. By giving Bill Gates free access to schools you almost guarantee the continuance of his monopoly.

Redhat Linux's proposed amendment is a viable alternative. Let Microsoft foot the bill for hardware, but put freely available Redhat Linux (or any other linux) on the computers. I run exclusively linux for my studies and never run into problems. Most windows like software is available for linux, and it comes free with programming (such as C++), graphics and Internet software that Microsoft charges thousands for. Why not give our children everything possible? This will make the settlement a settlement and not a endorsement.

I work in academia, and if anyone runs windows in my field they get laughed at..we don't want to subject our children to ridicule!

Granted, Bill Gates had back room deals with the Bush administration to quash this suit even before the election was stolen, but now you must serve the people of the United States, not Bill Gates' bottom line.

Thanks for listening,

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